



ROBINS RevUp



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653rd goes to Turkmenistan to repair C-17 Globemaster

By Tech. Sgt. Kenneth C. Dockery
653rd CLSS Training Flight

Members of the 653rd Combat Logistics Support Squadron traveled to the country of Turkmenistan to repair a badly damaged landing gear on a C-17 Globemaster. The team's knowledge and expertise helped the damaged aircraft be repaired and returned to service three days after the team arrived.

Members of the team worked with Boeing to determine the extent of the damage and devised a plan of attack. A part and equipment list was developed along with engineering inputs from Capt. Chris Parry, a Robins Air Force Base C-17 engineer. With the necessary equipment in place the team returned the key strategic airlift asset back to service. This is the third such repair in theater during Operation Enduring Freedom.

The Globemaster has been providing a massive amount of airlift in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The C-17 can fly into 3,000-foot runways and provide airlift for many unique and oversize cargo loads. In addition to delivering "beans and bullets" to the troops, the Globemaster has been an integral part of the



U.S. Air Force photo

Members of the 653rd Combat Logistics Support Squadron from Robins Air Force Base work to repair a C-17 Globemaster. The group traveled to Turkmenistan to do the repairs on badly damaged landing gear on the plane.

humanitarian relief mission in Afghanistan, delivering more than 35,000 Humanitarian Daily Rations during the bitter winter season.

Team members from the 653rd CLSS include Senior Master Sgt. Tommy Wilkey, Tech Sgts. Brian McUmbur, Anthony Reinke and Robin Barthel, and Staff Sgts. Mario Sanchez and Alex Murray.

"This trip once again epitomizes the statement anything, anyplace, anytime," said McUmbur, when describing the capabilities of the men and women of the

653rd CLSS. "The C-17 ABDR team sets the example of how an expeditionary force should operate," he said.

Members of the 653rd CLSS are committed to providing the quickest and most reliable war fighter support to ensure the continued success of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Members from the 653 CLSS work around the clock to repair a damaged C-17 in Turkmenistan. After the repair was completed the White Knights then hitched a ride on the Globemaster for their return trip.

Going public? Robins Elementary among 58 DOD schools under review

Office of Public Affairs

Robins Elementary is one of 58 stateside schools that will undergo a Department of Defense study this summer to determine whether the schools will continue to operate within the DOD system or be turned over to local school districts.

On May 17, the Department of Defense Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools announced a year-long feasibility study of the schools it operates within the Continental U.S. to determine whether they should still be operated by DDESS.

The study will have an impact on Robins Air Force Base as well as the Houston County School System. Charles Holloway, Houston County School superintendent, speaking at the recent school board meeting in Perry, said the county school system is not currently prepared to absorb the more than 500 Robins Elementary students into Houston County's growing school system.

Robins officials said they are aware of the study and understand the potential impact of any decision to change Robins Elementary's status.

"Long before a decision is made, base officials will work with DOD and the appropriate agencies to ensure the interests of Robins Air Force Base and its

families are considered," said Col. Tad Stanely, 78th Air Base Wing vice commander.

DDESS officials are mindful as well of the impact the study will have on local school districts. Elaine Hinman, DDESS director, said the current study will focus on school standards and quality, changes in the number of military families living on base, aging school facilities, and costs associated with quality education programs. "The current study will focus largely on the ability and willingness of local education agencies to assume educational responsibility for the students currently enrolled in DOD's domestic schools," she stated in the news release.

DOD has conducted similar feasibility studies in the past of the entire DOD domestic school system. Hinman said this one will be slightly different because it will focus on individual schools and not the DDESS as a whole. "The study will look at each location separately to determine the best option. It is quite feasible that some local education activities may be more willing and able to accept the transfer of schools and students, while others will opt not to support such a transfer."

She added that local military and education leaders, school boards, staff, union and parent opinions will be sought in the

fact-finding and information gathering phase of the study.

DDESS, one of two school systems managed by the DOD Education Activity, oversees 69 schools providing pre-kindergarten through 12th grade education for more than 32,500 students in military families living on installations in seven states, Guam and Puerto Rico.

Hinman said the study will focus on a school-by-school look at DDESS's 58 schools in Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, New York and Virginia. The study, to be conducted by a consulting firm yet to be selected, is expected to be complete by spring 2003.

Robins Elementary School, which offers pre-kindergarten through sixth grade, opened its doors in 1963. Its current enrollment is about 500 students, and its staff numbers about 70, including teaching and administrative staffs, custodians and cafeteria workers. The school serves dependents of military personnel who reside in base housing.

Up until last year, Robins had two DOD-sponsored schools on base. The other school, Linwood Elementary, became a Houston County school in July 2001 when the military housing in Robins West area became privatized.

SECAF reflects on past year, looks to future

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The following is a message from Secretary of the Air Force James G. Roche to Air Force personnel:

To the men and women of the U.S. Air Force: One year ago this month, I was sworn in as your 20th secretary of the Air Force and became, on that day, a proud member of a magnificent team of active duty, Guard, Reserve, and civilian airmen. During this time, I've had the deep honor and pleasure to serve alongside Gens. Mike Ryan and John Jumper, and our chief master sergeant of the Air Force, Jim Finch. It is impossible to imagine three more dedicated and professional Air Force leaders.

As I reflect on the year gone by, my first thoughts are with the airmen of our force who made the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of our nation and the freedoms we hold dear. Remember them and their families. Their supreme sacrifice, along with the countless heroes who have gone before them, is why we live free in this great nation.

Each of you should be extremely proud of your achievements and service this past year, from combat operations and homeland defense in the war against international terrorism to your admirable and noble daily endeavors that guarantee the readiness, health, security and morale of our fighting force. In my travels around our Air Force, I've been impressed and humbled by your ingenuity, commitment and willingness to serve. Thank you for everything you've done to make our Air Force the best the world has ever known.

Of utmost importance to me is our continued focus on war fighting, and honing the edge that enables us to remain expeditionary and responsive to the needs of our nation. The American people trust and admire what you do. They know that America's Air Force provides a full spectrum of air and space capabilities that deliver unprecedented firepower, mobility, awareness and deterrence to our joint forces. And, once again, they've witnessed first hand your truly remarkable performance during operations

Enduring Freedom and Noble Eagle.

Through your incredible efforts in this campaign, from deploying troops and building bases to coordinating fires and engaging targets, you've again demonstrated the unrivaled skill of airmen. Consider what we've done for just a moment.

In the first eight months of our war on terrorism, we flew more than 35,000 sorties, employing 78 percent of the total munitions used and damaging or destroying nearly three-quarters of the coalition targets. Our tanker force flew more than 10,000 refueling missions, supporting aircraft from all services.

Our intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance assets, manned and unmanned, have flown more than 2,000 missions and, when combined with our indispensable space systems, delivered unprecedented battlefield awareness as well as a vision of the exciting future in this evolving mission area. Our heavy-lifters (cargo aircraft) delivered more than 2.5 million humanitarian daily rations to the people of Afghanistan. Our combat support units have occupied, established, or rebuilt bases throughout Southwest and Central Asia.

And we accomplished all this despite the challenge of waging a combined campaign in a landlocked nation.

Through your efforts, you confirmed to our nation and the world the unmatched value, flexibility and promise of air and space power.

While we've achieved many of our objectives, there remains much work to be done. The fight continues, with many of you going into harm's way daily. Our ongoing missions and

your unrelenting sacrifices testify to your commitment to eradicate this threat to our nation and freedom-loving people everywhere.

As I look to the journey ahead, I'm excited at the opportunities we have to serve our nation as we face the challenges posed by our evolving security environment. I look forward to continuing that journey with you.

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Secretary of the Air Force

your normal schedules and we've stretched our force to cover expanded missions in new locations. Many of our people are affected by Stop-Loss.

We're working to mitigate the numbers affected as soon as possible, but until we do, our folks' lives will remain on hold until we complete this campaign. And we have thousands of Air National Guardsmen, Air Force Reservists, and Individual Mobilization Augmentees who are serving for extended periods at great personal cost to their civilian jobs and their family lives. I recognize your sacrifice and commend you for your service.

Our nation needs its Air Force as never before, and your Air Force needs each and every one of you, your talents and your service as never before. Yet, regardless of these challenges, you continue to train, maintain and fight

with a level of professionalism unmatched by any force ever assembled.

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I remain focused on developing new strategies for air and space power in this new millennium; delivering innovative and effective capabilities to the war fighters; improving Air Force retention, professional education and leadership development; eliminating the inefficiencies in how we do our business; and transforming our acquisition processes to ensure innovation and competitive vibrancy within our defense industrial base.

Most important, I want to ensure we care for our people and their families through these challenging times. Communication, engaged leadership at all levels, and a genuine concern for the value of our people and their daily sacrifices are vital to building and sustaining a motivated and capable force.

On that day one year ago, I committed myself to serve in a manner befitting of the great men and women of our Air Force and to serve just as each of you do every day all around the globe — with integrity, selflessness and in the earnest pursuit of excellence. Your entire leadership team — General Jumper; my talented undersecretary, Peter Teets; our vice chief of staff, Gen. Robert "Doc" Foglesong; and myself — is firmly committed to these values.

Your service and sacrifices the past year have been truly magnificent and have earned the justifiable admiration of our nation and the respect of the world.



Secretary of the Air Force
James G. Roche

Countdown to MSEP – 33 Days

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Robins Pride – Pick it Up, Clean it Up, Make it Shine!



AFTO Form 244 important to MSEP success

Maintenance Training and Quality Division

During the recent Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center Maintenance Standardization Evaluation Program, the incorrect use of AFTO Form 244 was widely noted.

This doesn’t have to be the case at Robins.

By ensuring maintenance of the AFTO Form 244 in accordance with technical order 00-20-5, the technician gets a quick visual reference of the current status of the equipment they are about to operate.

The technician can determine if the equipment is safe to operate, as well as review the preventive and corrective maintenance.

What follows is some useful information about using the AFTO

Form 244.

The form provides a means to document equipment delayed discrepancies and corrective actions, record service, identify periodic and special inspections, and record inspection status and historical data. A separate AFTO Form 244 will be maintained for powered and non-powered aerospace ground equipment.

Using form with equipment

On test, measurement and diagnostic equipment an AFTO Form 244 will be required if it has a scheduled inspection — scheduled inspections do not include periodic calibration.

The AFTO Form 244 will be used on machine tools and industrial plant equipment but is not required on common hand tools.

The supervisor is responsible for the status and condition of the equipment and the AFTO Form 244.

Part I of the form is filled out to record the identity of the system or equipment for which the form is maintained.

Part II is where the technician documents the prior to use service and inspection, by entering the time and date of the inspection and by writing his initials.

Part III of the form tracks periodic inspections and scheduled lubrications.

The periodic inspection and lubrication requirements are accomplished upon accrual of specified operating power-on hours, or at expiration of a calendar period. Scheduled lubrication requirements that are separate from scheduled

inspections will be also recorded in this section.

Part IV is used to record quality control and supervisory reviews of the 244. The supervisor is required to review the form in its entirety to ensure that all sections are filled out in accordance with TO 00-20-5 Chapter 7. Once it is determined the form is in compliance, the supervisor will enter his first name initial, last name and grade; the date will be entered as YYYYMMDD

Part V documents equipment discrepancies and corrective actions. When a discrepancy is discovered, the person discovering the discrepancy will make the appropriate entry in Part V.

Only one defect per inspection will be entered into the discrepancy column block for each work order number. When a piece of industrial

and support equipment inspection is overdue, a red dash will be entered in the symbol box in Part V.

To sign off a red dash, the individual who completed the corrective action will sign off the discrepancy in the “INSPECTED BY” block.

All symbols entered in Part V symbol block must be entered in red. In order to fill out Part V properly, refer to Tech Order 00-20-5 Chapter 7 Para 7-7, it will guide you in filling out this section

The AFTO Form 244 is the key document for industrial plant equipment use and maintenance. The inspector general will focus on this area in the upcoming inspection. Now is the time to make sure forms are on the equipment, are filled out correctly and are maintained properly.

Officials separate promotion, PME candidacy notification

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Air Force personnel officials announced a change on June 10 that will separate the announcements for promotion selection and school candidacy for officers.

Previously, promotion results and professional military education candidacy were announced together for Air Force major- and lieutenant colonel-selects.

Now, starting with the release of the 2002 major promotion board results in June, PME candidacy will be announced separately, one to two weeks after the promotion release, said Lt. Col. Jan Middleton, chief of Air Force promotion, evaluation and separation policy at the Pentagon.

“While the designation

process for schools will continue to be made by the promotion boards, the change in how the results are announced is meant to highlight the achievement of being promoted,” Middleton said.

Separating the announcement of in-residence PME candidacy from a promotion board’s results will allow everyone to focus appropriately on the promotion announcement when it is made, said Secretary of the Air Force James G. Roche.

“We don’t want to take the shine off of a new rank for those people who are not also designated school candidates,” Roche said.

“They can still compete at the board for in-residence slots, and also take school by correspondence or seminar.”

ROBINS BRIEFS

Base road construction

Contractors will be performing construction on Warner Robins Street from 10th to 12th streets until July 31. There will be one-lane traffic in the area the contractor is working in. Flagmen will be directing traffic in the construction zone.

Housing office closing today

The housing office will close today at 11 a.m. for an official office function.

Change of command

78th Security Force Squadron Pass and Registration will be closed 7:15 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. on June 21, for change of command ceremony.

Motorcycle class

There will be a motorcycle class June 20-21. Sign up through Pass and ID at Security Forces. Military personnel have priority over all other personnel. Motorcycles will be inspected on June 20. Inadequate tire tread depth is the most common cause for being declined the opportunity to perform range exercises.

Senior officer announcements

Col. Karl E. Lee, currently chief of Medical Staff with the 78th Medical Support Group will become commander of the 78th Aerospace medicine Squadron. Lee will be replacing **Lt. Col. Laura A. Torres-Reyes** who will become deputy commander of the 9th Medical Group at Beale Air Force Base, Calif., in July.

Officials announce promotion release dates

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Air Force officials plan to release the list of newly promoted technical and master sergeants June 27 (June 28 for those units across the international date line).

The list of new staff sergeant promotions is set for release Aug. 14 (Aug. 15 for those units across the international date line).

Lists of those selected for promotion will be available on the Air Force Personnel Center’s home page

by 4:30 p.m. CDT on June 28 and Aug. 15, respectively.

To allow as many deployed airmen as possible to be considered in the regular promotion cycles, the announcements were delayed from the originally scheduled dates, said Air Force officials.

The delays, however, will have no effect on the promotion effective dates: Aug. 1 for technical and master sergeants and Sept. 1 for staff sergeants.

Delays resulted from the Air Force allowing extra time for deployed and returning airmen to

test, said Air Force officials.

“We want to make sure we consider as many people as we possibly can so when we run the selection list it will closely mirror what it would look like if 100 percent of the eligibles had tested in the normal timeframe,” said Senior Master Sgt. Nathalie Swisher, chief of the enlisted promotion management section at AFPC here.

“This ensures the Weighted Airman Promotion System continues to be fair and equitable for all (noncommissioned officers) competing for promotion.”

JAG awarded for outstanding ethics

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The Warner Robins Air Logistics Center Judge Advocate office has been selected as a recipient of the Office of Government Ethics 2001 Outstanding Ethics Program Award.

The award is presented to several programs each year.

“The award is only awarded to those organizations that conduct

truly outstanding ethics programs,” Maj. Gen. William A. Moorman, U.S. Air Force judge advocate general, said in a letter to the ALC. “The award reflects the dedicated efforts of you legal office personnel.”

This is the first time the WR-ALC judge advocate office has won such an award, according to Mike Shutter, judge advocate office.

Formal ethics programs became a must in 1993 after the creation of the Joint Ethics Regulation that replaced

the old Air Force Regulation 30-30.

The ethics program covers such areas as annual financial disclosure forms, post-government employment rules, off-duty employment requirements, gifts, conflicts of interest, initial training program for new employees, advice and counseling services, and work with various investigative organizations, such as the Department of Justice, and the WR-ALC Inspector General’s office.

e-Publishing has new address

Air Force Print News

BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE, D.C. — Air Force Departmental Publishing Office officials announced the e-Publishing Web site has a new Web address.

Serving as the central Web locale for more than 7,000 Air Force forms and publications, the e-Publishing Web site is now maintained at the Defense Information Systems Agency in Oklahoma City, Okla.

“The changes are occurring behind the scenes,” said Carolyn Watkins-Taylor, AFDPO director.

“Other than possibly having to type in a new URL, our customers will not have to do anything different. The Web site will be set up exactly as it was before and will continue to pro-

vide products to Air Force personnel worldwide,” she said.

Providing more bandwidth, DISA officials will be able to accommodate increasing traffic and provide faster service to customers.

Additionally, the Web site itself will be more secure at DISA.

“Now more than ever, it is imperative that we take steps to secure our systems,” Watkins-Taylor said.

“We are essentially ensuring our continuity by covering all of the necessary bases.”

The old address will remain in tact and will provide redirection to the new address so customers can adjust any bookmarks or Internet browser links accordingly.

Air Force people can call the customer support desk at DSN 754-2438 if they have any questions or concerns.

Submissions to the Rev-Up are due by 4:30 p.m. Monday to be considered for publication in that Friday’s paper. Contact one of the following people to get news in the Rev-Up:

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Young people learn to DEFY

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For the third year in a row, young people have come to Robins Air Force Base to DEFY. These 45 children aren't learning to misbehave; they are actually taking part in the third annual Drug Education for Youth summer camp.

The program is co-sponsored by Robins Air Force Base, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Georgia, the Macon Police Department and the Macon Feed and Seed (no federal endorsement of sponsors intended). Of the 45 campers between the ages of 9-12, about one-half are dependents from Robins, while the other half are children from the Pleasant Hill area of Macon.

"Our objective is to keep these kids off drugs and out of gangs," said Pam Lightsey, with the U.S. Attorney's Office. She said for three years the program has helped young people gain self-confidence, and learn teamwork, good life and coping skills.

Good adult mentoring was another area Lightsey believes to be a bonus of the program.

"Our staff is all Macon Police Force officers and Robins Air Force Base personnel," she said. The staff works with the campers through workshops and special learning sessions.

One such special session had the

campers and staffers traveling to the Phoenix Center in Houston County. The group spent the day participating in activities to strengthen their self-confidence and to learn to work together as a team.

The morning started with a Phoenix Center instructor having to form a circle with each person standing on a mat.

The game, "Have You Ever?" consisted of a person in the center calling out a question. Anyone who would answer yes, had to move to a different map.

The game served several purposes, the most important being to learn more about one another, the instructor said.

Other activities throughout the morning became a little bit more challenging and required more and more teamwork. By the afternoon, the campers and their adult staffers



U.S. Air Force photos by Lisa Mathews

Marc Anthony Freeman, 12, and Kelila Lincoln, 11, navigate their way across a rope suspended high above the ground. The multi-vine rope walk challenged two people to walk across a rope suspended between two poles using ropes or "vines" hanging at spaced intervals. Both people touched the pole on the far side of the course and then were lowered to the ground by a harness system.

had moved on to the confidence course consisting of various challenging stages.

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"Working on the high stuff brings them together," said Lisa Troxell, Phoenix Center staffer.



DEFY participants and a Phoenix Center instructor form a circle to play "Have You Ever?" Those n the outer circle stood on mats while the person in the middle called out different questions. Anyone who would answer yes, had to move to a different map.

"Sometimes we let them pick their partners and other times we pair them."

Campers Kelila Lincoln, 11, and Marc Anthony Freeman, 12, agreed that the multi-vine rope walk was a fun way to work together.

Shortly after their decent, both were ready to try the walk again.

Phase II

While the campers are enjoying a week of camp at Robins, the pro-

gram won't end Tuesday. Phase II of DEFY will include a school year mentoring program which "matches volunteer adult mentors with Phase I graduates," according to Maxwell Wood, U.S. attorney.

"For a minimum of four hours each month, the mentors and youth will meet for workshops, field trips and special events, and continue to develop the relationships begun at the summer camp," according to the office.

Academy strives to produce more scientists

By Master Sgt. Ron Tull
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The superintendent of the U.S. Air Force Academy testified June 5 before a senate subcommittee on defense that the institution is putting the finishing touches on curriculum revisions aimed at producing more scientists and engineers.

Lt. Gen. John Dallager said the result will be a better-balanced, more inter-disciplinary curriculum that will enhance the technical literacy of all academy graduates.

The changes will reduce each cadet's class workload anywhere from three to 11 semester hours (down to 148 to 150 hours for the four-year academy stay), and modify course offerings to encourage scientific and engineering majors. The exact number of hours depends on each individual cadet's academic major.

While the academy hopes to produce more scientists and engineers, it is also feeling the shortage of them. In his written testimony, Dallager pointed out that the academy has to compete nationwide for instructors in those areas. Uniformed instructors, he added, are especially impor-

tant to the academy's overarching mission of teaching professionalism in every part of its curriculum.

Flight docs keep OEF pilots flying

By **Airman 1st Class Tarkan Dospil**
Air Force Print News

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM — Lt. Col. (Dr.) Victor Folarin has been a busy man lately. As one of the 379th Air Expeditionary Wing’s two flight surgeons, Folarin is responsible for taking care of not only the pilots who fly the KC-10 Extenders and KC-135 Stratotankers supporting Operation Enduring Freedom, but also the rest of the troops at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar.

When Al Udeid’s medical requirements decreased recently, many of the doctors were sent home, Folarin said. This left him and his partner, Capt. (Dr.) Ramon Yambo, along with an internist, Capt. (Dr.) Pamela Tuli, with the top medical duties, including taking care of pilots’ health needs.

Flight surgeons are physicians who have had advanced training in the areas of aviation medicine, according to Folarin.

“Any doctor can ground an aviator, but only flight surgeons can return them to flying duties,” said Folarin. “Basically, we take a regular doctor, and train him extra to work as a doctor for aviators and aircrew members,” said Folarin. “The training emphasizes the effects that the flying environment has on people who fly. There are a lot of medical guidelines for those who fly.”

The flight medicine field is not a new one. In fact, its inception dates back to World War I when many British pilots and planes were lost because of the lack of physical fitness of the aviators. Doctors and military leaders then realized the need for the establishment of rigorous physical standards for the aviators, as well as advanced medical training for doctors who care for them and the flight medicine field was born, said Folarin.

Since then, flight surgeons have been an integral part of military aviation. They now take care of even the slightest

problem that may affect aircrew members.

“We now know that even small conditions such as a sore throat or the common cold can present additional problems in the flying environment,” Folarin said.

Because there are such varying factors as air pressure and velocity, these factors can take the smallest symptom and create large problems for fliers. Flight physicians identify these problems, and take the appropriate measures to ensure that pilots get well and are quickly returned to flying.

Sometimes, this includes knowing the appropriate medication that can be prescribed.

“Many medications do not agree with the pilot in the flying environment,” Folarin said. “Some common remedies can cause drowsiness and palpitations of the heart. These side effects can become worse and incapacitating in the flying environment.”

Flight surgeons are also an integral part of aircraft accident investigations; they help determine what human factor effects may have contributed to the accident, if any.

“With crashes we try to determine what ‘human factor,’ that is, what kind of physical or mental states could have contributed,” said Folarin.

Such knowledge does not come easy. Doctors must go through extensive training courses to advance to flight surgeon status.

“All doctors must go through the Aerospace Medicine Primary Course,” said Yambo. “There, they receive survival training, as well as training in ophthalmology, cardiology and aerospace physiology. They also learn which medications pilots can and cannot take. Doctors also receive three days of flight training, logging flight hours and experiencing the flight environment.”

After a few years of experience in the field, doctors



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Danielle Upton

Lt. Col. (Dr.) Victor Folarin, chief of medical services for the 379th Expeditionary Medical Squadron at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, examines a patient’s specimen. Folarin is from the 7th Bomb Wing at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, and is one of two flight surgeons deployed to Al Udeid in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

can then advance to further residency training that offers specializations in specific areas such as aerospace medicine, occupational medicine, and public health and preventive medicine.

Such training, whether at the basic or advanced level, can be rigorous, but the job satisfaction makes it worthwhile, Yambo said.

“We have to understand the pilots and their jobs,” he

said. “They trust us. They don’t want to be taken off flying status if they don’t have to, so the fact that they have someone who understands their background and works to keep them flying makes them comfortable. It’s like good old-fashioned medicine, like making house calls. That’s the greatest reward.” (Dospil is with 379th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs.)

Air Force alternate fuels program takes off at Tinker

By **Tech. Sgt. Scott Elliott**
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Logisticians at Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., are the latest to embrace the future with renewable fuels by mixing a bit of soybean oil into their diesel tanks.

Congress, through the Energy Policy Act of 1992, tasked the Air Force, along with all other federal agencies, to take the lead in finding ways to reduce the nation’s dependence on petroleum and improve air quality.

“Tinker’s delivery of ‘biodiesel’ is the (latest) piece of the Air Force’s alternate fuels program,” said Col. Thomas Keller, chief of the infrastructure and vehicles division within the Air Force’s installations and logistics directorate.

Biodiesel is a product made through a chemical reaction of alcohol with vegetable oils, fats, or greases. The Air Force currently uses B-20, a blend of 80 percent diesel and 20 percent soybean-derived biodiesel. Although a vehicle may burn as much B-20 as it did standard diesel, actual petroleum consumption is reduced.

Tinker joins Peterson AFB, Colo., Vandenberg AFB, Calif., Patrick AFB, Fla., and Scott AFB, Ill., as the service’s leaders in the alternative fuels movement,

and more bases are coming on line.

“The beauty of biodiesel is that it requires no vehicle modification,” Keller said. “You can take the same dump truck that’s burned diesel for 10 years and put biodiesel in it without changing a thing, and we’re getting alternate fuel vehicle credit (from the Energy Policy Act of 1992).”

Another benefit is lower maintenance, thanks to biodiesel cleaning carbon out of engines and allowing them to run more efficiently, said Senior Master Sgt. Rex Curry, chief of the vehicle maintenance policy and procedures team.

“Biodiesel also has more lubricity than basic diesel, so things don’t wear out as quickly,” Curry said. “At some point (in the future), industry-wide, it is extremely

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likely that you won’t be able to buy diesel without it being blended with (at least 2 percent of) some bio-mass type fuel.

“It’s kind of like ethanol,” he said. “In some places, like Colorado, you get 10 percent ethanol (blended into gasoline) all the time.”

Reducing the amount of diesel fuel consumption is

just as much an ethical issue as it is a Congressional mandate, Keller said.

“It’s been proven that diesel (exhaust) is a carcinogen,” he said. “We have school buses full of children (driving) around, and we’re (exposing them) to cancer.”

“There’s a study that offers proof that buses burning (standard) diesel fuel (are) 46 times higher in carcinogens than a bus burning biodiesel,” Curry said. “We can, literally, save children’s lives by using biodiesel.”

Besides eliminating carcinogens from exhaust, the fumes have a pleasant side effect.

“It smells like whatever the 20 percent (additive) was,” Curry said. “If it’s soy, it smells like soy; if it’s chicken fat, it smells like Kentucky Fried Chicken going down the road. (According to) one article, the biodiesel smelled like popcorn.”

By joining the biodiesel revolution, Tinker is helping ensure the Air Force will meet one of the act’s tougher mandates: that 75 percent of new vehicle acquisitions be

alternative fuel-capable by 1999. The Energy Policy Act of 1992 was amended in 1998 to give agencies one alternative fuel vehicle acquisition credit for every 2,250 gallons of B-20 used.

“We’re going to get very close (to meeting our goal) this year,” said Lt. Col. William Fisher, chief of the vehicle policy team. “With increased use of these biodiesel fuels, I predict, we’ll exceed them next year.”

Pentagon project under budget, ahead of schedule

By Linda D. Kozaryn
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Press Service

WASHINGTON — Early Tuesday morning many daily commuters on Route 27 hit their brakes as they passed the site of last year’s Sept. 11 terrorist attack on the Pentagon. Some even stopped. For the first time since then, the lights were on inside the reconstructed building.

“For 273 days, every single night, we’ve had spotlights on the outside of the building,” said Walker Lee Evey, renovation program manager. “In many instances, we had people working up on the side of the building in those spotlights. Tonight, the lights go off. The story outside the building is over. We’ve completed that work.

“The story now moves to the inside of the building,” he said. “That’s where the challenge is. That’s where our success must be achieved.”

In another 92 days — by Sept. 11, he said at a Pentagon news briefing — offices destroyed at the point of impact in the attack would be furnished, occupied and back in business.

“We have already moved about 2,000 people back into the building, in portions of Wedge 1 and Wedge 2,” he said. These areas were badly damaged by fire, smoke and water during the attack.

The original estimated cost for the project was about \$740 million, Evey noted. By negotiating prices and achieving top contractor performance, the estimated cost has dropped to \$501 million. To date, the project has cost \$400 million. Savings will be used to further improve force protection.

The project already includes installing more concrete and masonry walls with added rebar reinforcement in areas that previously had only wallboard. Photo luminescent signs will direct people to exits. Additional standpipe feeds for the water sprinkler system are being installed. More half corridors are being added to provide more ways for people to get out of the building.

“There’s a great deal of interest is being paid toward what we’re doing and the success we’re achieving,” Evey said. “In general, there are three things that characterize construction: cost overrun, schedule delay and litigation. On our program, we have not had cost overrun, schedule delay or litigation. That makes us a little bit odd.”

From the beginning, the reconstruction and renovation project has consistently been ahead of schedule, Evey said. Construction crews began work on Oct. 18.

A month later, the area destroyed by the crash and subsequent fireball was cleared and, on Nov. 19, workers began installing rebar for columns. By Feb. 25, workers replaced the first blast-resistant window on the outside ring. March 4, workers placed the first slab of limestone. April 5, workers poured the last concrete onto the roof. The physical building structure was done.

Evey attributed the project’s speed to the workers’ personal motivation and dedication. “People don’t really pay that much attention to what their title is, what their job is, what they’ve been specifically told to do or what the normal constraints are in the way they operate,” he said. “Everyone’s there to make that project successful. They pitch in. They work. They help. They support one another and it’s been very



Department of Defense photo

Workers place a 4-foot-by-2-foot-by-4-inch-thick section of limestone on the west facade of the Pentagon. The last block was placed Tuesday, nine months to the day after a terrorist-hijacked airliner slammed into the building.

effective.”

Site managers had to plan, organize, direct and train the crews, and they had to lead, he said. “Leadership is different than management,” Evey said.

“Leaders have to have a clear vision. They have to have the guts to implement that vision, even if they’re not absolutely certain of success.”

In all, Evey said, more than 3,000 people worked on the program. “Every single one of them gave tremendously of themselves. You couldn’t have asked more of any worker, ever, anywhere.”

Public support for the program has been phenomenal, Evey added. About 220 students at Moorefield Middle School in West Virginia raised and donated \$10,000. Students at Parkside Elementary School in Spotsylvania County, Va., raised \$515 during a penny pitch and used it to buy pizza for the construction workers.

Officers’ spouses from Scott Air Force Base, Ill., donated gloves for the workers, each pair containing a personal note.



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Danielle Upton
Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld shakes hands with Master Sgt. Renee Wheeler, from the 379th Expeditionary Support Group, during a troop call June 11 at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. Hundreds of U.S. service members deployed to Qatar attended the troop call.

War on terrorism not ‘easy, quick fix,’ Rumsfeld says

By 1st Lt. Johnny Rea
Air Force Print News

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM — Ridding the world of terrorism is a campaign that will not be won anytime soon, according to Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld.

“We have to recognize that those states that are harboring terrorists — and facilitating and encouraging them — are problems for us equal to the terrorist network problem,” Rumsfeld said during a troop call for several hundred U.S. service members deployed to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. “It is not going to be an easy, quick win.”

Rumsfeld’s visit to Al Udeid was part of a

10-day trip to Southwest Asia, Europe and the Middle East. It was his first trip to Qatar as the secretary of defense.

“We’ve been very successful in Afghanistan, as you all know,” he said. “It’s been a wonderful thing to see the faces on the Afghan people who have been liberated and are able to play music, take off their burqahs, fly kites and go to school, and go to work. For a country that has had such a terrible time these many years to suddenly be free, this has to make all of you that have been involved feel very, very good about it.”

The 379th Air Expeditionary Wing at Al Udeid is one of the largest units in the region

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We must travel up a down escalator

If you have ever tried to walk up a down escalator, one fact becomes immediately clear. You have to keep moving.

Change is happening so fast today that every business in America is going up on a down escalator and that includes the defense industry. Standing still or doing things the way that worked in the past is not a choice. We have to keep moving and changing to be effective in today's world. The pony express worked great in the past, but it won't get the job done today.

Last month, I became the fourth director of the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center Depot Re-engineering Office. This is an honor and a tremendous challenge in view of recent events. Due to the potential threats to our nation that were brought home to all of us on Sept. 11, now more than ever the center and the Air Force are on a journey to improvement.

We have to do whatever it takes to ensure optimum support to the war fighter. I see the role of the Re-engineering Directorate as a guide or scout to find the most effective path on the center's journey to improvement. In that role, we don't act unilaterally. We are partners with the center's other product directorates, other air logistics centers, other defense agencies i.e., Defense Logistics Agency and defense contractors. We are all on the same journey and have a stake in finding the best route.

Exploring new options

We explore new ways to get to the goal in the form of new work methods and technology. When scouting new territory, sometimes impenetrable barriers cause us to abandon that path and go another way.

Other times we are able to build a bridge or create a software solution to get around the barrier and cut miles off the journey. The important thing is that we learn what works

and what doesn't so all can make progress.

In the Re-engineering Office, at any given time we are running a wide variety of projects to improve the way we do business. The common theme is that they all have to pass the litmus test of being aligned with the overall strategic goals to reduce aircraft program depot maintenance time and improve parts support to support the war fighter.

Several of the current projects either directly or indirectly support that goal. supply chain management evaluator is a web based, enterprise level software application designed to provide the supply chain manager with a complete view of the Air Force supply chain by integrating data across many legacy systems and presenting the data in a format that can be assimilated rapidly and used effectively.


A precursor to SCME which is still widely used throughout the base today is a software tool commonly called a WRAPPER which can access multiple data systems and perform functions without waiting for years sometimes for system redesign. This tool can multiply the data access and processing capability of an individual by a thousand percent.

Using lean

Lean Contracting encompasses several projects focused on contract and e-business related processes to improve parts support. Expansion of use of the Government Purchase Card to weapon system items is one of the projects under the Lean Contracting area. Prime Vendor is another project that employs commercial best practices to improve

We are going up on a down escalator. Standing still is not a choice. We have to change to be effective in today's environment.

Lt. Col. Jimmy C. Bailey, CPL
Director, Depot Re-engineering Office



parts support for the Center.

All of the projects are important and are providing value to the Center, but the project getting the most attention recently is WR-ALC LEAN. It has been designated as the WR-ALC continuous improvement 'umbrella' for the numerous initiatives and efforts on-going at the Center. The relatively simple concept of identifying and removing waste in all forms from the value stream has netted some remarkable results at the center, especially when you consider that the actual LEAN event is done in one week.

In one work area alone on a single event to reduce flight control delivery time, savings of more than \$5,000 per aircraft were realized. This equates to almost \$300,000 per year — not bad for a week's work.

In the first LEAN event at the center in the business management area, the steps to process a repair purchase request were reduced from 71 steps to 45 steps, and 18 of those will be performed simultaneously instead of sequentially.

As result of savings like this, the LEAN Deployment Index to measure progress of full-scale deployment of LEAN has been selected by the senior staff at a recent offsite as one of the seven primary metrics to be monitored to assess the health of the center.

One of the best gauges of the success of LEAN is the complete about face by some of the most con-

firmed dissenters. Repeatedly, personnel who viewed LEAN as another program they had to endure have become wholehearted advocates. Currently, we have more requests for facilitators for LEAN events than we can support.

Supporting change

It is a good problem to have and, more importantly, it reflects the fact that Robins' people will support change when they can see the benefits. It is a documented fact that people resist change, but not all change is bad and we don't resist it if the benefits are clear. The change to LEAN is more like adding a supercharger to our engine. LEAN is adding some horsepower to get us where we need to go on our journey to improvement.

Improvements like LEAN, the supply chain management and e-Business initiatives are right on track with the Air Force-wide transformation effort.

Several initiatives begun at the center have been adopted at the Air Force and Department of Defense level. Word has gotten around about the successes we are experiencing as result of LEAN and the center has hosted a steady stream of visitors to see how it works first hand.

In addition to visitors from the other ALCs, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, the Marines and the Army, the center also hosted a visit from the Harrier Team from the Royal Air Force in Great Britain. Based on what they saw at Robins, many of our logistics partners have signed onto the LEAN bandwagon. The RAF Harrier team attributed their willingness to try the LEAN methodology directly to the level of enthusiasm and commitment they observed at Robins.

They have reported their first LEAN events have been a "universal success and created astonish-

ment at their achievements."

LEAN is not the only program that is spreading as result of success at Robins. The WRAPPER technology is now used throughout AFMC. Another success story for the center involves expansion of the use of the IMPAC to purchase emergency and work stoppage weapon systems items. The C-130 Directorate was the first test site and reports unqualified success. Based on the success in the C-130 area, the test has been expanded throughout the center and the other air logistics centers have requested the capability at their bases.

Creating solutions

We are crafting solutions that work for the center and for the Air Force to improve weapon system support for the war fighter. This one solution has the potential to save literally millions of dollars in downtime for the Air Force. It is a true success story, but it is important to recognize that it was a partnership. We could not have achieved this success without partners like the C-130 Directorate with the vision and courage to be the first to test the new process.

In order to do the job and perform the mission, we have to continue improving the way we support the war fighter. The only other choice is failure and obsolescence. The work we do in Re-engineering touches every job at the center, but we are not working alone.

The journey to improvement at the center is a partnership with the center's other product directorates, other air logistics centers, other defense agencies and defense contractors.

We have to work together to make progress. We can't be successful in today's environment with yesterday's methods. The stakes are high and it is critical that we do not falter. We are going up on a down escalator and we cannot be satisfied to stand still.

Commanders' Action Line



Col. Bonnie Cirrincione
Commander 78th Air Base Wing

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Please include your name and a way of reaching you so we can provide a direct response. Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Rev-Up. Anonymous Action Lines will not be processed.



Maj. Gen. Donald Wetekam
Commander Warner Robins Air Logistics Center

Waiting at the gate

Q: This letter is in reference to reporting times at the gate. My understanding of the staggered reporting times were they would reduce traffic backup at the gate. However, at my assigned reporting time of 7 a.m., there is always a long wait and there is usually a long line of cars behind me, both on Ga. Hwy. 247 and Green Street. But I've noticed that at 8, 8:30 or 9 a.m., I am almost always in the first line-up at the gate and can be through in minutes. It's been nine months since Sept. 11. This traffic problem has existed for that long. Surely this can be improved. It's a waste of time and gas, as well as bad for morale.

I understand several Air Force bases have gone back to flextime. In fact, they returned to flextime within a few weeks of Sept. 11. They don't seem to have a problem at the gate. The nice thing about flextime is that all those peo-

ple coming in at 7 a.m. would be coming in at staggered times, 7, 7:05, 7:20, 8 a.m., whatever, so there wouldn't be a problem at the gate. Also, those people who are working overtime in the morning, i.e. coming in at 7 instead of 8 or 9 a.m. because they don't want to work overtime in the evening, wouldn't be clogging up the gate for the rest of us because we would have the freedom to adjust our schedules according to the traffic flow.

A: Maj. Gen. Wetekam responds: Thank you for your call. This issue has come up frequently since 9-11. The Warner Robins Air Logistics Center has consistently tried to balance the need for security, traffic management and production in its decisions relative to shift reporting times. This issue is continually assessed. Thus far, it is not considered appropriate to return to a flextime shift. I don't expect a return in the near to midterm. I understand that the current situation is not necessar-

ily convenient for all individuals but it has proven effective for the center-wide concerns I must address on a daily basis.

Kudos to the pharmacy

Q: I am an active duty master sergeant who has been in the service for more than 18 years. I have been greatly disappointed with the deteriorating medical services in the past five years. Recently it took me more than a month to get an appointment with my provider, when it used to take less than a week. When I went to the pharmacy to fill a prescription, I thought I would be in for more disappointment. I was pleased to find a new automated system that reduced my previous waiting from 20 or 30 minutes to less than five. I think this is great and appreciate them stepping it up.

A: Col. Cirrincione responds: Thank you for the kudos about our pharmacy operation.

All the pharmacy personnel work hard to ensure our customer's wait for medication is no longer than it has to be. We do realize we have a challenge with access to providers and are continually striving to make improvements. Please understand the appointment desk personnel do not control the number of appointments that are available. Unfortunately, when demand exceeds supply, we experience long waits. As summer rotations approach, we anticipate an even greater challenge with access. Rest assured that we are aggressively addressing our concerns both with major command and our TRICARE lead agent. We are working to get additional contract physicians to help work down our backlog and sustain us until we are fully staffed again. We do understand your concern about the availability of routine appointments and are addressing them. Thanks again for your feedback and keep them coming.



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78th SFS celebrates police

78th Security Forces

To pay tribute to all law enforcement officers on base and in the community, the 78th Security Forces Squadron hosted a base exchange exhibit recently. This event was among many across our nation that signified the support and dedication shown to law enforcement officers during National Police Week.

The day’s events included a special appearance from McGruff the Crime Dog, and

Darrin the DARE Lion along with two vehicles from the 78th SFS fleet. Combat Arms showed off weapons in the security forces’ inventory, and there was an appearance from the K-9 section and the Robins Air Force Base DARE Officer, Staff Sgt. Jennie Corley.

The Warner Robins Police Department was represented by Officers Matt Moulton and Danny Hicks. They brought the Blood Alcohol Test Mobile, mainly known as the BAT Mobile for people

to explore and learn about its purpose. This vehicle is normally used at DUI check points for easier processing of suspected drunk drivers. WRPD also brought along a thermal imager mounted on one of their patrol vehicles. Houston County Sheriff’s

department was represented by Deputy Richard Mayhew.

The static display culminated a week-long event that brought together the fraternity of law enforcement professionals to celebrate life and remember those who have paid the ultimate price.



U.S. Air Force photos courtesy of base photo lab

Clockwise from top left: Senior Airman Ryan Renner, 78th Security Forces Squadron and Warner Robins Police Officer Matt Moulton forge a lasting law enforcement partnership. Senior Airman Anthony Augustine, 78th SFS, explains the functions of the M-60 machine gun. Children get to experience first-hand what it feels like to be processed through the blood alcohol testing (B.A.T.) vehicle operated by the WRPD. McGruff greets kids at the base exchange during the police week static display.

Researchers studying crew rest to find perfect schedule

By Staff Sgt. Jason Smith
Air Force Print News

CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C.— Crews from each of the active duty airlift squadrons here are undergoing research in hopes of finding the perfect sleep schedule for future missions. Researchers from the U.S. Air Force Lab at Brooks Air Force Base, Texas, and the Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center at Kirtland AFB, N.M., are conducting the sleep research during real-world missions flown by the 14th, 15th and 17th Airlift Squadrons.

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with a number of support and operational functions. The wing currently flies KC-10 Extenders and KC-135 Stratotankers in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. More than 220 million pounds — about half of all the fuel off-loaded over Afghanistan — has been delivered from 379th AEW tankers. “The task will be a long one,” Rumsfeld said. “And it’s not the kind of thing where there’s a set peace battle and you either win it or lose it. We’re going to have to stay at the terrorists wherever they are, find them and loot them out. But we’ll win it, let there be no doubt. It started in Afghanistan, but it won’t end there.” He said the United States knows there are hundreds of well-trained terrorists located in up to 60 nations around the globe. “They’re hard to find,” Rumsfeld said. “They’re hiding in caves and tunnels, they’re hiding in cities and villages. They’re on the move, blending into the communities and yet today, the reality is they have access to enormously powerful weapons and capabilities.” Those capabilities will likely someday include weapons of mass destruction, Rumsfeld said. “We don’t know when it will happen, but we do know the terrorists’ networks are actively seeking weapons of mass destruction and we have all kinds of intelligence that confirms that,” he said. “And at that point you’re not talking about thousands, you’re talking about tens of thousands of people killed. So we have a big task and it is so serious a task that it brings a sense of urgency to each of us.” The secretary thanked the desert-clad audience for their dedication and participation in OEF. “What you’re doing on the global war on terrorism is enormously important,” he said. “You play a key role. You are separated from families for long periods. We recognize that your families also serve. And our country is enormously fortunate to have each of you. You have my respect and admiration for all you do and I know that I can speak for the American people and express their gratitude as well.” “I thought the troop call was very informative,” said 1st Lt. Joy Shuck, a KC-10 co-pilot assigned to the 44th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron here. “He’s an excellent speaker and very personable. It was great to hear where he thought the Air Force is going in the future.” Rea is with 379th Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs.

Bill Storm, senior research scientist from the Air Force Lab, said sleep research for the Air Force is not new. The Air Force has been conducting sleep studies for more than 25 years, and Storm worked with C-141 Starlifter crews here in the 1970s and 1980s. He said the reason for his current visit is to look at a new software program called the Fatigue Avoidance Scheduling Tool. “FAST allows us to take the work schedule of a security force member or pilot and

compare it to their sleep schedule,” said Storm. “My philosophy is that any sleep is good sleep; however, there are certain times during the duration of a long mission when you’ll get a more restorative sleep at one point in that mission than another.” Knowing when a person needs sleep and when they will be at their maximum performance level is based on the circadian rhythm, said Storm. Everyone has a circadian rhythm, or body clock, that

runs for about 24 hours. At about the 18-hour point of being awake, a person will start to experience performance deficit. A person needs seven and a half to eight and a half hours of sleep every night, according to Storm. He said many people get by on six hours regularly, and because of the lack of sleep, they are not performing at their maximum level. The FAST software being studied here will account for things like sleep attained prior

to departing the base. Storm said the sleep schedules of the aircrews being studied are recorded prior to leaving for a mission. During the mission, crewmembers wear actigraphs — watch-like sleep monitors — to record the times when they are asleep. When the crews return, information from the actigraphs is downloaded into the software. The crews here taking part in the study have been more than cooperative, said Master Sgt. Michelle LaCasse,

AFOTEC test manager. She said although the study has meant imposing on the crews and asking them to do extra work, everyone has been friendly and willing to help in any way possible. LaCasse said researchers will return here in 60 to 120 days after the research is complete to present their findings to base officials. *Smith is with 437th Airlift Wing Public Affairs. Article courtesy of Air Mobility Command News Service.*

C-17 makes its mark in hangar

By Rebecca Yull
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The C-17 System Program Office has made its mark in a hanger on the flight line so there's no mistaking who's working there.

The mark, a large logo painted on the floor, exhibits the SPO's partnership with Boeing.

"We are in direct partnership with Boeing, so we wanted a logo that showed that partnership," said Marty Tucker, C-17 project manager.

This decision to make the mark led them to Beth Blakely, a data systems management specialist in the C-5 System Program Office, who is also an artist. Blakely has also completed artwork at the mobility training center and in re-engineering. People find her through word of mouth, she said. "I don't advertise myself."

She volunteers her time. Completing the project in the C-17 hangar, a giant logo depicting the partnership between the C-17 System Program Office and Boeing, took Blakely about 34 hours over a two-week period.

"I did it after work," Blakely said. "The area supplied the paint and I just slapped it down and made it work."

Well, she did a little more than slap it down. "She did a really good job for us," Tucker said. "She did the big C freehand. She used a broom as a guide. It just goes to show someone's a better artist than I am," he said.

Blakely had help from her son and a friend.



She's been doing such work since she was in high school. She also works on murals in the area for businesses.

She's even working on a massive mural in Marshalville, her largest piece yet.

Blakely's been working on that one for nearly a year.

Tucker said they were glad she could do it and

was impressed she completed the logo so fast. Blakely is glad the C-17 folks like it.

"There's a certain level of pride in making something that a group wants to be a lasting impression," Blakely said.

Barbeque safety keeps summer fun

Robins Fire Department

Traditionally, outdoor cooking is viewed as a summertime activity. However, cookouts in the South are pretty much a year-around activity.

No matter, when firing up those charcoals or using a propane grill, safety is a must. The proper use and storage of barbeque grills and their accessories is essential to safe outdoor cooking.

Never use a grill inside any structure or located within 10 feet of any home, building, balcony or overhang. Also, special care should be taken not to place these units near air handling vents.

Never use gasoline or any other flammable materials on charcoal grills. This is an extremely dangerous safety violation that can cause serious burns or death. Use approved charcoal lighter fluid designated only for that purpose.

Apply the lighter fluid only once, and never reapply lighter fluid once the charcoal has been started. Sometimes a false indication that the charcoal is not lit can lead to other hazards.

Remember, fire can travel along the stream of the fluid and can cause the container to rupture or explode in the user's hands.

Never leave the grill unattended while cooking is in progress.

Wear proper clothing, loose clothing,



splatters of hot grease.

Do not use ordinary kitchen utensils to cook outdoors. Oversize skewers, spatulas and other implements are made to help grillers keep a safe distance from the hot grill.

Be very cautious of small children when outdoor cooking. Barbeque grills will get very hot to the touch and can also be somewhat unstable.

Be very careful when barbequing on extremely windy days, this can misdirect the charcoal starter causing a potential serious hazard. Also remember, hot embers can be blown about the neighborhood to include fields and wild land areas. Sometimes high winds can also upset the grills cooking temperature.

After cooking and before storage, douse all coals and ashes with water, make sure all the coals and ashes are cold safe and removed prior to storage.

Barbeque grills that use propane tanks should never be stored as a connected unit unless the unit is located and secured outside and at least 10 feet from any structure.

Ensure when cooking is completed, the main gas control valve on the tank has been closed and the unit allowed to cool off prior to storage. This is especially important in military housing.

Don't try to fix a malfunctioning propane gas grill, have an experienced professional check it and certify that it is safe for use.

So, bring out the hot dogs and the hamburgers, get out the grill. And remember, practicing grill safety will keep the summer fun.

For more information, call the fire prevention section at 926-2145.



Clearing up confusion Proper garments increase safety

By Bill Morrow
WR-ALC/SE

Air Force Instruction 91-207 motorcycle safety instruction can be perplexing. The confusion concerns what the standard says and what it means.

Proper wear of outer garments is one issue. The instruction says, "Brightly colored or contrasting vest or jacket as an outer upper garment during the day and reflective during the night. Outer upper garment will be clearly visible and not covered."

Interpreting exactly what brightly colored is up to the fashion police. White, pastels, neon or fluorescent type colors, and something light as opposed to dark will suffice for bright. However, there is an option to wear contrasting colors.

Contrasting, according to Webster, is "to set in opposition in order to show or emphasize difference."

Difference would be obtained by using colors that have a notable dissimilarity, another Webster definition of contrast. Color opposites such as white and black, or some feature that mixes light and dark colors constitute contrast in this instruction.

An example is wearing the traditional black leather jacket with an orange traffic vest — two solid colors of notable dissimilarity providing contrast.

Outer upper garment

The standard says the outer upper garment should be a "vest or jacket ... during the day and reflective during the night." It also goes on in another sentence to say "long sleeve shirts or jackets."

A vest, jacket or long sleeve shirt are the only choices for outer upper garments. During hours of darkness, the jacket, long sleeve shirt or vest must be reflective. Reflective belts are not vests, long sleeve shirts or jackets no matter how hard someone might try to interpret them as a garment. In the fashion world belts are considered an accessory. Since the "outer upper garment will be clearly visible and not covered," the back pack is going to have to be strapped down or put away.

Reflective belts, worn as designed and intended, would not be visible to oncoming traffic. Worn slung over the shoulder flapping in the breeze creates a variety of problems such as a distraction for the driver, noise and possibly a good slap in the face. A reflective belt attached to a back pack just might fly off in the wind.

Motorcyclists may wear a single piece of brightly colored clothing as an outer upper garment during the day, or something that provides contrast of notable dissimilarity. At night, the upper garment must be reflective. This standard has not been supplemented by Security Forces or the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center Safety Office.

Points to remember when grilling

- ✓ Never use a grill inside
- ✓ Apply lighter fluid only once
- ✓ Never leave grill unattended
- ✓ Wear proper clothing
- ✓ Do not use ordinary kitchen utensils
- ✓ Be cautious of small children
- ✓ Be careful on windy days
- ✓ After cooking and before storage, douse all coals and ashes with water
- ✓ Barbeque grills that use propane tanks should never be stored as a connected unit
- ✓ Don't try to fix a malfunctioning propane gas grill

Long sleeves, neckties, and the like can very easily catch fire by momentary contact with hot surfaces. It is wise to use short sleeve shirts and tight fitting clothing. The use of an apron will also protect your clothing from

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Friday

Robins Report: 8 p.m. – News from around base.

Around Robins: 8:30 p.m. – On this week’s Around Robins find out what YOFAM holds in store for the future in an interview with Air Force Materiel Command YOFAM/Quality of Life office chief, Lt. Col. Dave Arreola. There will be a feature piece on the Airman’s Attic raffle program. Diane Thielman, Airman’s Attic manager, discusses how nearly \$2,000 in new furniture was given away to young airmen and their families. Get the low down on base fitness day that was held recently. Fitness center director Roger Braner talks about what activities were involved and what it took to bring the event together.

Inside Robins: 9 p.m. – This week’s Inside Robins will feature and interview with Ergonomics Program Manager Mary Ann Gahhos. Gahhos discusses the importance of ergonomics in the workplace and how it can be integrated into the workplace culture.

Sunday

12:30 p.m. - **Robins Report**
1 p.m. - **Around Robins**
1:30 p.m. - **Inside Robins**

Monday

Noon - **Robins Report**
12:30 p.m. - **Around Robins**
1 p.m. - **Inside Robins**

MOVIE SCHEDULE

All shows begin at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$3 for 12 and older, \$2 for ages 5-11. Visit the movie schedule online at <http://www.robins.af.mil/services/Events/TheaterSched.htm>.

Today — Deuces Wild (R)
Starring Stephen Dorff and Brad Renfro.

Leon and Bobby are brothers who, with their friends, are determined to maintain their way of life in their neighborhood. They are “The Deuces.” Loyalty means everything to them, and protecting friends and family is their main priority. (strong violence, language, some drug content, brief sexuality)



Saturday — Sorority Boys (R)
Starring Barry Watson and Harland Williams.

Strapped for cash, Dave, Adam and Doofer find themselves drawn to one last, desperate hope for free housing: one of their campus’ sororities, Delta Omicron Gamma (or D.O.G.). But, to become one of the boys they have to first become one of the girls. With a little makeup, pantyhose, and lots of pluck, they go undercover in the girl’s sorority house as Daisy, Adina and Roberta. (crude sexual content, nudity, strong language and some drug use)

CHAPEL SERVICES

Catholic Masses are celebrated at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 p.m., Sunday at 9:30 a.m., and on Holy Days of Obligation at noon and 5 p.m. and Monday through Friday at noon. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is on Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Catholic CCD classes for ages 4 through adult meet every Sunday from 11 a.m. until noon — from September through May — at Robins Elementary School.

Protestant services take place every Sunday at: 8 a.m. inspirational; and 11 a.m. traditional.

Protestant religious education classes for people of all ages meet every Sunday — from September through May — from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Bldg. 905.

Jewish service time is each Friday at 6:15 p.m. at the synagogue in Macon.

Islamic Friday Prayer (Jumuah) is each Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the chapel annex Rooms 1 and 2.

Community fellowship and Bible study is held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays for the following groups: adult mixed, adult singles, adult women, youth and elementary school children. Free dinner is served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Bible study follows.

The chapel helps with any spiritual needs that arise. For further information, call the chapel at 926-2821.

SERVICES ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aero Club

926-4867

Safe Summer Cash-In offers aero club members the chance to win \$250 worth of flying hours or merchandise by attending safety meetings June through September. Bi-monthly safety meetings offer members invaluable information on flight safety as well as an opportunity to network with other aero club members. During the course of the program members will have eight chances to win. A safety meeting is scheduled for Tuesday at 6 p.m. For more information on Safe Summer Cash-In or membership, call the aero club.

Enlisted Club

926-4515

Press Box is open for dinner 6-9 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. Come and enjoy two-for-one T-bone steak for \$14.95 today and Saturday, and 1 pound of crab legs for \$11.95 on June 21 and 22. Reservations are welcome.

A funniest tie contest will be conducted at the Father’s Day brunch, Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with club manager Al Urolia as the presiding tie judge. Cost is \$8.95 for members and \$11.95 for nonmembers.

There will be a Preferred Plus! membership dinner Wednesday, 6-8 p.m. Cost is free for members, \$5 for guests and \$10 for nonmembers.

Get out of the heat and get wet with the club pool party on June 22 at 7:30 p.m.

The Air Force Clubs membership scholarship program is underway. Club members and their families can apply for the Air Forces Services sixth annual club membership scholarship, sponsored by First USA Bank. Three scholarships will be awarded — \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000. Nominees must provide and essay on “Air Force Clubs – How to continue the tradition” and a single-page summary of their accomplishments. Nominations are due to services marketing by July 15. For additional information, call Sherry Trauth at 926-5492. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

Expressions

926-0304

Fill out the “Give Us Your Ideas” entry form on page 24 of the June Edge magazine and drop it off at Expressions, located at the base restaurant, for a chance to win a \$10 gift certificate.

Information, Tickets and Travel

926-2945

Rally up for the 2002 Squadron Challenge with Robins Air Force Base and



the Macon Braves. Through July, military and civilians of any squadron or division can plan group trips to Macon Braves games for a chance to be the best. First sergeants and designated members of various units may purchase tickets from Information, Tickets and Travel. The group with the most participation wins an exclusive VIP party with the team, including giveaways and tickets to future Macon and Atlanta Braves games. Tickets are \$3.50 each. Call Information, Tickets and Travel or ask your first sergeant for more information.

Smith Community Center will host the annual Peach Festival in conjunction with ITT’s yard sale Saturday. ITT yard sales are scheduled on July 13 and on Aug. 3. Tables can be rented for \$7 and set-up starts at 7 a.m.

Tickets for the June 28, 6:30 p.m. Atlanta Symphony Orchestra engagement at the Georgia National Fairgrounds/McGill Exhibition Hall are on sale at ITT.

Save money by making vacation plans with the Armed Forces Vacation Club. A seven-day condominium lease is \$234 per week. Locations are available around the world. For more information, call 800-724-9988 or go online at www.afvclub.com. The Robins AFB AFVC installation number is 79.

Golf Course

926-4103

June specials at the golf course on Mondays are play unlimited golf for \$20. Special includes green fee and cart. On Tuesdays, play 18 holes and have lunch for \$20, includes cart and green fee.

Library

327-7379

The base library will hold a children’s summer reading program themed “Where in the world are you reading?” through July 31. Special meetings are held every Tuesday at 10 a.m. for the children enrolled in the program. Guests from around the world will speak each week about their different languages, customs and cultures. This nine-week program will culminate with an ice cream party at the

library on Aug. 6 at 2 p.m. Drawings at the party will include a bowling birthday party certificate and Robby the Robin beanie toys.

Children must read at least 10 age-appropriate books and attend at least four meetings at the library to be eligible for the drawings. To register, visit the library, located in Bldg. 905.

Base library will be closed Saturday for staff training and knowledge enrichment.

Outdoor Recreation

926-4001

Swim lesson registration is under way at equipment rental, Bldg 986. Lessons will take place at Crestview pool. Classes will be held June 25–July 5; July 9–19 and July 23–Aug. 2. Cost for “Mommy & Me” toddler class (ages 2 and 3) is \$30 per child. For beginner, intermediate and advanced classes (ages 4-13) the cost is \$40 per child.

Head for the river for white water rafting June 28 and 29 in Clayton. Cost of \$180 per person includes rafting, lunch, equipment, lodging and transportation. Bus departs at 6 a.m. These will be class three and four rapids. Interested people must be 16 years or older to participate. For more information or to register, call 926-4001.

Enhance your workout with a splash. Water aerobics are held in the fitness center indoor pool Monday and Wednesday at 6 a.m.; and Tuesday and Thursday at 4:20 p.m. Cost is \$5 per individual class or \$30 for four-week sessions. Register at equipment rental center, Bldg. 986, 926-4001.

Smith Community Center

926-2105

Summer Bash “Let’s Celebrate” will be held on Aug. 10, 4–9 p.m. at Robins Park. Activities will include games, rides, petting zoo, entertainment and chances to win prizes. A \$3 wristband gives Summer Bash participants access to all games and amusements. Sponsored in part by Air Force Materiel Command Services, First Command Financial, Sprint/Sprint PCS, Macon Coca-Cola, Robins Federal Credit Union and United Airlines. No federal endorsement of sponsors intended.

Teen Center

926-5601

The following activities are scheduled at the center: open recreation, 6-11 p.m.; movie night, 8 p.m. today; open recreation, 6-11 p.m. Saturday, open recreation 5-9 p.m. Tuesday and 4-9 p.m. Wednesday; center open, 4-9 p.m. Thursday; basketball at youth center, 8 p.m. on June 21.

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

Robins Air Force Base Family Support Center-sponsored classes, workshops, and seminars are open to all Team Robins Plus personnel and their eligible family members. Absences from duty sections to attend FSC offerings are the responsibility of the employee to coordinate with his/her supervisor. Because room assignments are subject to change, specific room numbers will be confirmed at the time of registration.

The FSC is located on Ninth Street in Bldg. 794, across the street just before the Robins Enlisted Club. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information, or to make a reservation, please call 926-1256.

Smooth move

The next Smooth Move workshop is on June 19, 8-11 a.m., in Bldg. 905, Room 123. This program is designed for Air Force members on the move. It is three hours of information on how to get from here to there with the least amount of hassle, frustration and stress.

Representatives from Military Personnel Flight, Transportation Movement Office, Accounting and Finance, the Housing Office, Legal Office, TRICARE, Family Advocacy, and Air Force Aid Society will be on hand to provide pertinent moving information and answer questions.

Applied suicide skills training

A workshop on applied suicide skills training will be conducted Thursday through June 21, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., base chapel annex. This training is for anyone interested in preventing a suicide. Mature people with a “willing” attitude are all welcome.

Resume construction

A workshop on resume construction will be conducted on June 21, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Bldg. 905. To attend this workshop, participants must have attended the resume research and writing class. To register for this workshop, call 926-1256.

Pre-TAP briefing

A pre-TAP briefing will be conducted on June 25, 1-3 p.m., Bldg. 905, Room 250. The Transition Assistance Program is offering a briefing for personnel and their spouses who are within one to three years of separation or retirement. This session is designed to help individuals get a head start on long-range retirement and separation planning, benefits and other information. To register, call the center at 926-1256.

Bundles for Babies

The Air Force Aid Society will conduct a Bundles for Babies class on June 26, 10 a.m. to noon, Bldg. 700, Room 180. This class is specifically designed to assist new parents.

This program is open to all active duty Air Force members and their spouses, who are expecting a child, regardless of rank or number of children in the family.

To register, call the center at 926-1256.

Interviewing Q&A

The Transition Assistance Program offers a workshop on interviewing question analysis on June 27, 10 a.m. to noon, Bldg. 905, Room 141.

This interview class is designed for anyone who already knows about interviewing from attending programs like the Department of Labor three-day workshop or other interview skills classes. It is also for those who have actually done interviews but want suggestions on how to approach or answer specific questions they were asked. Advance registration is required.

Financial workshop

The Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Middle Georgia will present a workshop on money and credit management on June 28, 1-4 p.m., in Bldg. 905, room 127.

Information on credit management, debt reduction and consumer rights are presented along with help in developing budgets and savings plans. To register, call the center at 926-1256.

Computer resource center

The Family Support Computer Resource Center is open to all Team Robins Plus personnel and their eligible family members. The following programs are available in the center:

America’s Job Bank: Listings of job openings in all 50 states that can be searched by job title, geographic area or military specialty. Also, provides excellent statistical data on job growth.

Scholarship Resource Network: Interactive program to assist in finding financing for higher education.

EZ-DOT: Electronic version of the Dictionary of Occupational Titles — lists occupations with description of duties and codes for education and training requirements. Department of Defense Job Search: Computerized resume network designed to aid transitioning service members reach employers worldwide.

Discover: A career planning program that can be used with personnel who want to choose a career area, plan for further education and plan for transitioning out of military service.

Internet access: Access to the Internet for job hunting and relocation assistance.

Personal Financial Management: 10-lesson CD-ROM training program to help get finances in order.

Salary Assessor: Database of salaries by job and location, updated quarterly.

SF171/OF612: FormFlow form filler for completing and printing federal job applications.

WinWay Resume: Create resumes and letters. Contains sample resumes, detailed job descriptions, and interactive videos covering all aspects of resume writing, interviewing and salary negotiations.

WORD97: Microsoft WORD97 — Excellent word processing program for resumes, cover letters, and envelopes. All computers have laser printers. Fax machine available for short notice resumes. Schedule time in advance by calling 926-1256.

ROBINS CLUBS

Aerospace Toastmasters Club - meets the second and fourth Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Support Equipment and Vehicle Management Directorate conference room 1, Bay D15, Room 1-E. To develop or polish your speaking and leadership skills call Keith Dierking at 926-0420 or Brenda Smith at 926-6884, ext. 724.

Company Grade Officers Association - meets the third Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. at the Georgia Room in the officer's club.

Federal Managers Association - meets periodically. A variety of speakers provide information to ensure excellence in the federal workplace. For information, call Jan McDaniel, Ext.926-2564.

Major General Joseph A. McNeil Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen Inc. — meets the third Wednesday of each month, at 11:30 a.m. at a location designated by the executive board. For more information, contact Toledo J. Bradford, public relations officer, at 926-7851, ext. 114 or e-mail to Toledo.Bradford@robins.af.mil. Interested individuals may also contact German T. Acree, president, at work at 926-6881 or at home at 953-6261.

Middle Georgia Chapter of Blacks In Government – meets the fourth Thursday at

11:30 a.m. at the base restaurant in the private dinning room. Guests may attend. For additional information, contact Toledo J. Bradford, chairman publicity committee, at 926-7851, ext. 114 or e-mail to Toledo.Bradford@robins.af.mil. Interested people may also contact Fred Wilson, president of Middle Georgia Chapter of Blacks In Government, at fred.wilson1@robins.af.mil.

Military Surviving Spouses – meet on the second Monday of the month for dinner at 6 p.m. in the officer's club. The meeting follows. Any widow or widower of a retired spouse is eligible to be a member. For more information, call 923-1204 or 923-1098.

National Contract Management Association - meets once a month in the officers' club. For information, call Misty Holtz at 926-7121, or Maj. David Hincks at 926-3666.

Network 56 – Information for Network 56 can be found online at <https://wwwmil.robins.af.mil/Network56>. The page has information on meetings, links for noncommissioned office development, the organizational charter and news about Network 56.

Officers' Christian Fellowship – meets each Monday at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Jeff or

Nancy Smith at 953-7834 or Chris or Deb Holinger at 218-4598.

Officers' Spouses Club — If you are new to Robins Air Force Base and your spouse is eligible for officers' club membership, the Officers' Spouses Club would like to extend a warm southern welcome to you. Call Sandi Smith at 971-4359 to receive a welcome packet.

P r o c u r e m e n t Toastmasters Club - meets the first and third Thursday of each month at noon in the Contracting Directorate's conference room, north end of Bldg. 300. For information, call Marian Hartley, 926-0886; or Bob Valdez, 926-9332.

Ravens Toastmasters Club - meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. in the Special Operations Forces Management Directorate's conference room No. 1, Bldg. 300, East Wing, door 6A. For information, call Eddie Sanford, 926-9867.

Reserve Officer's Association - meets the second Tuesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at the officers

club. For information, call Lt. Col. Barry Taylor, 327-1191.

Robins Top 3 Association - meets the third Thursday of each month at 3 p.m. in the enlisted club. For information, call Senior Master Sgt. Kathy Gray at 327-8079, or Senior Master Sgt. Ida Koepke at 327-8312.

Robins' Voices International Training in

Communication Club — meets the first Thursday of each month at 11:45 a.m. in the special functions room of the base restaurant. For information, call Evelyn Fountain, 926-7429.

The Retired Enlisted Association Warner Robins Eagle Chapter 94 – meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Warner

Robins American Legion Post 172 on Watson Boulevard. For more information, call Dan Toma at 757-2525 or Jack Tooley at 929-6801.

Editor's Note: Information provided by club members. If your club or group's information changes, notify the Rev-Up staff so that the club listings may be updated.

ROBINS BULLETIN BOARD

Case lot sale

The Robins Air Force Base Commissary will conduct a Case Lot Sale June 28 through July 3. The commissary will be open on July 1 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Case Lot Sale will be ongoing on this day.

Any questions may be addressed to Larry Danforth, store director, at 926-3714.

Time to sign up for AWC

The Robins Air Force Base Education Office is now accepting enrollment applications for Air War College nonresident studies. Seminar meetings are held weekly, starting in early August and running until mid-June.

This program is open to active duty, Guard and Reserve O-5 selectees or above, of any component of the U.S. Armed Forces, and federal civilian employees (GS-13 or above). Sign up by July 15.

Take completed applica-

tions to Bldg. 905 or call Fran Sheridan at 327-7325 for more details.

Dixie Crow tuition help

The Dixie Crow Chapter of the Association of Old Crows has recently established a \$250 enlisted tuition assistance grant. The grant is for active duty enlisted personnel stationed at Robins Air Force Base in the rank of E-4 and above who are pursuing a degree related to electronic warfare or information superiority.

The program is intended to complement the Department of Defense Tuition Assistance Program and the Air Force Boot Strap program. Applications may be picked up at the base education office in Bldg. 905.

Mail applications to Dixie Crows, P.O. Box 1331, Warner Robins, Ga. 31099-1331. Deadline for summer semester applications is Saturday.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Softball tournament

The Robins Women’s Varsity Softball Tournament is June 28-30, starting at 6 p.m. on June 28. There are both male and female divisions with a team entry fee of \$185. There will also be a home run contest with first-, second- and third-place awards. Tournament play is subject to change. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Andre’ Carr at 327-2662, Tech. Sgt. Bernita Allen at 327-3055, Airman 1st Class Kara Dixon at 926-9705 or Staff Sgt. Lisa Sanders at 926-9276. Registration deadline is June 21.

Robins Lanes 926-2112

Beat the heat with bowling center summer savings. Get a stamp for every snack bar, pro shop or open bowling purchase of more than \$2. Collect five stamps for a chance to win up to \$500. On July 8 and 19 and on Aug. 2 and 16, \$200 in cash prizes will be awarded. The grand prize of \$500 will be awarded on Aug. 30. Participants must be 18 years of age or older. There is no limit to cards that may be turned in. Every Thursday Preferred Plus! members get a free stamp by showing their club card. Call the bowling center for complete details.

Father’s Day means fun for the family Sunday when dads bowl free with paid children’s games.

YOFAM bowling, kids 12 and younger bowl for \$1 when accompanied by an adult paying regular price. Limit two kids per adult.

Youth Center 926-2110

Registration will be conducted July 6-13, 3–6 p.m. for the following sports: youth cheerleading, ages 10–12 year olds; youth tackle and flag football, ages 11-12 for tackle and ages 5–10 for flag at a cost of \$45 for members and \$50 for nonmembers; youth fall soccer, ages 5–18, at a cost of \$50 for members and \$55 for nonmembers.

A dedicated commissioner and coaches for cheerleading, football and soccer are needed for the fall sports program. No experience is required and training will be provided. Apply in person at the center or call for more information.

C-17 pilot captains Air Force skeet team

By Tech. Sgt. Robert Burgess
97th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs

ALTUS AIR FORCE BASE, Okla. — His approach to shooting skeet is simple — head on the rifle, eye on the target and follow through.

Maj. Tom Clayton, 58th Airlift Squadron instructor pilot and assistant director of operations here, is the captain and leadoff shooter on the Air Force skeet team.

“Tom’s strong suit, besides keeping a bee-line on the target, is his mental game,” said former shooting partner Lawrence Wilks of Altus. “Mentally you have to be tough to compete in this sport.”

Clayton is ranked in the top 300 out of some 15,000 skeet shooters nationwide and has impressive credentials to back up his shooting trophies. In 1999, he won the individual world championship at the San Antonio World Skeet Championship where he shot 399 out of 400 targets. In 2000 he was the leadoff shooter on the Air Force World Championship team, and in 2001 he was the No. 3 shooter on the Air Force World Championship team.

When the major first started shooting, it was the challenge of breaking 25 clay targets from eight different stations in a row that kept him coming out. He said it is like the golfer who starts out scoring in the low 90s. His next goal is to break 90 and then to break 80 and eventually to break par.

For the major, it meant putting in a lot of hours at the range, but he said his family has been supportive.

“I can tell you my wife was present when I shot my first 100 straight in a skeet tournament at Fort Sill in 1995, when I was stationed here as a C-141 instructor pilot,” he said. “She knows how important practice is and how important it was to shoot my first 100 straight.

“On the average it takes a skeet shooter five years until (he or she) can start breaking 100 straight in tournaments,” said Clayton, “and you need about three years of



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Greg Suhay

Maj. Tom Clayton demonstrates the proper way to position a shotgun for shooting skeet. Clayton, 58th Airlift Squadron instructor pilot and assistant director of operations at Altus Air Force Base, Okla., is the captain and leadoff shooter on the Air Force skeet team.

good practice and a couple of years of tournament experience to mature into a good shooter.

To find active-duty Air Force shooters for the team, he said they look at the National Skeet Shooter Association’s register.

Skeet shooters have to compete in a minimum of eight tournaments a year to be eligible to compete on the Air Force team.

“We will contact them if they have a certain amount of targets shot per year,” said Clayton.

Tournament season for the skeet team starts in May and ends in October. The

team takes part in two tournaments in June, the combined Paratrooper and Armed Forces

Championship and the Great Eastern, the third largest tournament in the country. In September, they shoot the U.S. Open and end the season in October with the Mini World and Main World Championships.

In August the team takes a breather.

“In between the big tournaments we still have to shoot two tournaments to maintain our own status on the team,” said Clayton. “August is the month for us to step back from the sport and rejuvenate and get a mental break from competing. It does take a lot out of you ... 90 to 95 percent of the game is mental.”

Qualified skeet shooters interested in shooting on the 2002 or the 2003 Air Force skeet team can call Clayton at DSN 866-7037, commercial 580-481-7037 or send e-mail to thomas.clayton@altus.af.mil.

Courtesy of Air Education and Training Command News Service.

Want to shoot?

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U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Jerry King

Checking the grade

Staff Sgt. Phillip Boss, an engineering assistant with the 200th Red Horse Squadron from Camp Perry, Ohio, uses a theodolite to measure the vertical and horizontal angles of a new taxiway extension at a forward-deployed location in Kyrgyzstan on June 6. The grade readings ensure the extension will match up with the existing taxiway.

HAWC SCHEDULE

Weight Loss: June 19, 12:30–2 p.m.
Evening Weight Loss: July 1, 4:45–6 p.m.
Diabetic Seminar: July 8 and 10, 7:45 a.m. to noon
Diabetes 101: June 24, 8:45-11 a.m.
Evening Diabetes 101: June 20, July 18, 6:15-8:30 p.m.
Healthy Heart: June 27, 8:45-11 a.m.
Evening Healthy Heart: June 20, July 18, 3:45-6 p.m.
Fit Stop: Wednesdays, 3-3:40 p.m.
Stress Management: July 11, 1-2 p.m.
Prepared Childbirth: July 9, 7-9 p.m.
Newborn Care: June 27, July 25, 3-5 p.m.
Lactation Class: July 11, 3-5 p.m.

HAWC hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed Saturday, Sunday and holidays. For more information, contact the HAWC at 327-8480.

LEAVE/TRANSFER

The following people have been approved as participants in the leave transfer program.

- **Connie Coffee**, Logistics Management Directorate. Point of contact is Kathryn Wilner, 926-4239.

Employee-relations specialists at 926-5307 or 926-5802 have information and instructions concerning requests to receive or donate annual leave. To have an approved leave recipient printed in the Rev-Up, directorates should send information to Rebecca Yull via fax at 926-9597, or e-mail at rebecca.yull@robins.af.mil. Submissions run for two weeks.

HONOR ROLLS

Five Warner Robins Air Logistics Center employees were recently selected to receive Logistics Management Directorate Trainer of the Quarter awards.

Margaret Jones, materiel manager in the F-15 System Program Office, was instrumental in the training of three inventory management specialist trainees during this period. Jones assisted her trainees in gathering and preparing data for weekly DREP meetings and reviewed each trainee’s computations during the D200A file maintenance. Through one-on-one training sessions, Jones ensured that trainees’ questions and concerns were answered.

Belinda Williams, materiel manager for the U-2 Data links in the U-2 Management Directorate, was responsible for training three inventory management specialists and managing more than 1.3 million parts. Support of mission incapability and shipment of spare parts for Operation Enduring Freedom was accomplished with her help and guidance which frequently required her to work weekends making sure parts were shipped on time. Williams approaches training with a positive attitude and has been known to reward the trainees who have accomplished a particularly difficult task with “happy faces.”

Helen “Cookie” Stewart, electronic equipment specialist in the Support Equipment and Vehicle Management Directorate, was responsible for training of equipment specialist trainees assigned to the Automatic Test System Division. She was the only journeyman equipment specialist assigned to this area who transferred from Kelly Air Force Base with the knowledge of the workload. She was not only responsible

for guiding the trainees, but assisted the journeymen as well. During this period, all suspenses were met and all user’s requests were satisfied. Her knowledge and experience was critical to the on-the-job training process and workload familiarization. Through her leadership, the trainees have gained a great deal of knowledge which will ensure that they will be able to perform at a high level when they complete their training program.

Jim Thompson, equipment specialist in the Special Operations Forces System Program Office, has primary responsibility for training an equipment specialist trainee on the H-60 helicopter workload. In the beginning, his trainee possessed no knowledge of fundamental government procedures, acronyms, terminology or aircraft systems, which definitely proved to make the task of training more challenging. Thompson overcame this obstacle by providing the resources required and step-by-step guidance in system navigation of parts and other equipment specialist duties. Using his vast knowledge of equipment specialist duties, he familiarized the trainee with government procedures, such as kit proofing, technical change tech orders and supplements.

Diane Nickels, logistics management specialist for the ALE-50 in the Electronic Warfare Management Directorate, has provided hands-on management of the training for a Palace Acquire Logistics Management trainee since May 2000. During this award period, she coordinated training opportunities within the directorate and ensured that program management training in areas such a budgeting, contracting, surge support and battle staff briefings were included.

She gradually increased trainee responsibility for taskings to complement training, which allowed the trainee to experience various processes, such as develop-

ing decoy production and delivery schedules, creating and issuing TCTOs, and representing the electronic warfare product group in weekly video teleconferences.



U.S. Air Force photo by Lisa Mathews

Lindsey Birdcreek, 12, and Kristin Bencoma, 13, look on intently as Larry Abbott shows the girls and Shirley Almerigi some of the artifacts found at the site, including a complete arrow-head Almerigi found.

Digging it: Native group visits Robins for history lesson

By Lisa Mathews
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A group from Oklahoma came to Middle Georgia to dig into their culture while learning more about archeology. Seven teen-agers and four adult mentors of the Muskogee Nation traveled to Georgia from Okmulgee, Okla., so that they could help do excavation work at an archeological site at Robins Air Force Base. The group, part of the Dream Catchers Program, arrived in Middle Georgia on Sunday and departed Thursday. Bob Sargent, with the Resources Management Division of the Environmental Management Directorate, said there are multiple archeological sites around the base. He explained these sites were identified during a survey conducted in the mid 1980s. While the site boundaries of the site the Dream Catchers worked at were not identified as a National Registry Site, the area was deemed a good educational tool for helping young people learn more about archeology, Sargent said. He said the group from Oklahoma would have the opportunity to learn about the culture of the Muskogeese, which were one of 13 groups of American Indians who lived in this area at one time. Larry Abbott, senior archeologist for Ellis

Environmental Group LC, oversaw the dig. The company has a contract with EM for the digs on the archeological sites. Abbott said the group had discovered a variety of pre-historic artifacts, including a complete arrowhead; bits of pottery; waste flakes, which are flakes or bits of rock indicating sharpening or construction of tools; charcoal and burned earth. Abbott said the arrowhead probably dated back 9,000 to 9,500 years ago while the pottery probably dated back 1,500 to 3,000 years. He explained this indicates possibly two groups occupying the area at two separate time frames. Shirley Almerigi, organizer of the trip, was the one to find the arrowhead. “I wasn’t sure what it was at first,” she said. She described the find as thrilling. Almerigi said the Dream Catchers Program focuses on helping young people gain self-confidence, stay off drugs and stay in school. She said groups from the program have, in the past, worked at the Ocmulgee mounds in Macon. The trip to Robins has been in the works for about a year, she said. The group toured the American Indian exhibit at the Museum of Aviation Tuesday. Sargent said members of the Muskogee Nation had assisted when the exhibit was first developed.

Pope names Air Guard chaplain a monsignor

ARLINGTON, Va. (AFPN) — Pope John Paul II has recognized an Air National Guard chaplain by giving him the title of monsignor. Chaplain (Lt. Col.) William Charbonneau, a Catholic priest for nearly 30 years, was notified by the Archdiocese of Military Services of the honor. “I never saw it coming. I was totally blown away,” said Charbonneau, deputy chief of the Air Guard’s chaplain services division at the National Guard Bureau here. “I have always felt it is important to do your best by consistently maintaining the ministry and not look for recognition.” Charbonneau is the first Air National Guard chaplain at the bureau to be named a monsignor. The recognition is significant, other priests said, and it gives him a higher standing in the Catholic clergy’s pecking order. “Monsignor in the spiritual order corresponds to the word officer in the military,” states The Catholic Encyclopedia about the title that dates back to the 14th century. The lifetime appointment, which is effective immediately, elevates the Connecticut Air National Guard chaplain above the rank and file clergy and goes with the title “Chaplain to His Holiness,” Charbonneau said. It will not, however, alter his military duties nor does it mean he will be summoned to Rome. Charbonneau said he will continue to guide and support the 56 Catholic chaplains who minister to Air National Guard units across the country and to counsel all who seek him out. He will also continue his efforts of the past five years to entice Roman Catholic priests to become Air National



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Chaplain (Lt. Col.) William Charbonneau, deputy chief of the Air National Guard’s chaplain services division at the National Guard Bureau in Arlington, Va., has been named a monsignor. He has been a priest since 1973. Guard chaplains, he said. “Twenty-two percent of our Air Guard chaplains are Catholic priests, but 29 percent of our force is Catholic,” Charbonneau said. “Our goal is increase the number of Catholic chaplains to about 30 percent.” Charbonneau said his main concern, however, remains with the Air National Guard people who must come to terms with the idea of doing harm to others when they are sent to war, and with the unit chaplains who must help those men and women resolve their moral conflicts. Charbonneau said he has counseled many people about those conflicts as the Guard has taken an active role in the war against terrorism at home and abroad since Sept. 11. “The satisfaction I get from being a military chaplain is to prepare people to go to war if our country needs them and to help other chaplains be ready to go to war with them.”